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EDITORIAL

The Engineer's Council

For some time engineers have realized that the various branches of the profession are not so far removed from one another. Engineers are feeling a closer and closer relationship. There has been growing up a feeling of brother between all engineers. We, student engineers, know that a graduate in one branch of engineering does not always follow up that special line. He does usually go into engineering work. Why should there not be more kindredship between engineering students? We are all engineers.

Student engineers in other universities have seen the need of co-operation and have organizations which promote the activities of the engineering colleges. One Eastern school had a program of some fifty lectures given to engineering students by prominent engineers and scientists. An engineers council at Wisconsin was the means of bringing engineers together socially, at smokers and mixers.

Our Engineers Council can do and will do great things. The council is the one means of bringing about the unification and co-operation among the engineering students. It can acquaint the students with prominent engineers and the great engineering activities of the world by bringing nationally known speakers to lecture and discuss engineering problems. Social activities for student engineers can be organized, which will bring about a closer acquaintance among engineers. Through the council the Engineering College will make itself felt to a far greater degree on the campus.

We hope to see the time, not far off, when the

Engineers Council will be one of the most important and prominent of our campus organizations.

Student Engineering Societies

It is hard to conceive of an engineering student not taking enough interest in his future profession to belong to his engineering society. Yet this is the case with over half of our engineers. Some of these organizations have only thirty per cent of the membership to which they are entitled.

Any student engineer, here at Ohio State, who fails to join his society is cheating himself out of what should be one of the most valuable parts of his college education.

Most of our student engineering societies are affiliated with national organizations. These have as their object, advancement of engineering knowledge and fellowship among members of their members. When a student becomes affiliated with one of these organizations he is taking the first step into the ranks of his future profession. The student societies provide a means for students to become better acquainted among themselves and with men prominent in their prospective profession. Those men who come as speakers are men who have had a post-graduate course in the school of experience. Through the meetings and the speakers, students learn of the problems which face the modern engineer. The activities undertaken by the society afford the finest kind of training in the business of getting things done. In the case of the student engineering societies it can be said that the more one puts into them the more one will get out of them.